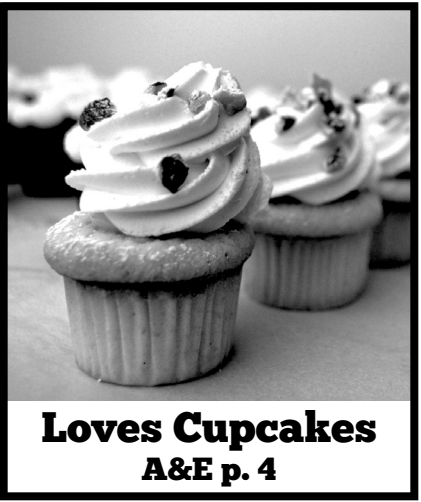


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Faculty voice angst over unpaid raises

by Peter Fournier
Staff Writer

SJSU faculty picketed in front of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Library Wednesday morning to protest what they believe to be California State University Chancellor Charles Reed’s refusal to honor their contracts from 2008 to 2010.

Faculty carried signs that showed Reed’s salary increases, wishes for a new chancellor for Christmas and others which stated Reed’s actions forced them to protest.

“Faculty are mad, and students are too, because students have had a raise of 106 percent in their tuition and while administrators and presidents Reed’s salary have gone up at least 25 percent, and faculty salaries have gone down 10 percent in that time,” occupational therapy Professor Liz Cara said.

Cara was dressed in a suit filled with fake cash, sporting a top hat and

cigar in her mouth, with a tag identifying herself as Chancellor Reed.

As stated in a previous article in the Spartan Daily, the old contract was signed in 2008, but only one year of the contract between the California Faculty Association and the CSU was honored, and faculty now want those two years of back pay to be honored. Faculty members from all CSUs plan to meet at CSU East Bay and CSU Dominguez Hills to strike on Nov. 17, according to a CFA flier handed out at the protest.

“This is historic,” Cara said. “These one day strikes will be historic. This will be the first time the largest public university in the United State has had a strike.”

Anthropology lecturer Jonathan Karpf has been at SJSU since 1987, and said he hasn’t seen a contract situation as bad as the current one.

Karpf said there was informational picketing at all 23 CSU campuses on

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From the service to school, SJSU’s red, white and blue



Mark Pinto holds his art piece, “My Flag,” the cyanotype that depicts his journey through the Gulf War for a portrait. Pinto, a former Marine, is working towards his masters in fine arts for photography. Photo by James Tensuan / Spartan Daily

Five veterans share their stories from different branches of service

by Peter Fournier
Staff Writer

Veteran students at SJSU have stories of duty, honor and remembrance that are often left unshared.

They are anthropology majors who manned machine guns, photographers who piloted helicopters during search and rescue missions and linguists who stood guard at embassies in the Middle East.

According to the SJSU Veteran’s Student Organization, there 283 veterans enrolled on campus.

DAMIAN BARTLETT - ARMY, ARMY NATIONAL GUARD GRADUATE STUDENT IN JUSTICE STUDIES

The San Ramon native joined the Army in 2001 and served two tours of duty in Iraq, including the invasion in 2003.

The president of the VSO, Bartlett served as light infantry, working as a rifle team soldier, team leader, radio operator, assistant machine gunner and driver in combat.

His first tour of duty in Iraq lasted nine months, the second was 13.

Bartlett said his time there was very chaotic.

“It’s very noisy,” he said. “The smells — you remember a lot of the smells. It seems like I always smell burning rubber tires from fires or cars that had blown up or things of that nature.”

Bartlett often fought boredom while not on duty in Iraq, reading books, working out and playing video games.

He said the slow change of pace could often shift quickly.

“Then there was a lot of times when it was like really popping and you’d constantly be out on a mission for days at a time,” Bartlett said.

He said the biggest thing he learned from his time in the service was to be disciplined with anything he works on.

“I’ve always had a pretty strong drive while in school and a lot of my time and experience in the military helped shape me in that way,” Bartlett said.

In addition to being a student, Bartlett is a research assistant, a community assistant at CVA and sits on the SJSU veterans’ advisory committee.

Bartlett originally wanted to join out of high school but was advised by his grandfather, a World War II veteran, to not sign up immediately and try college first. After receiving his associates degree at age 25, Bartlett made the decision to join the Army.

“I couldn’t afford to go to a four-year school, so I decided to just join the military because it was something I wanted to do anyway and had wanted to do for quite a while,” he said.

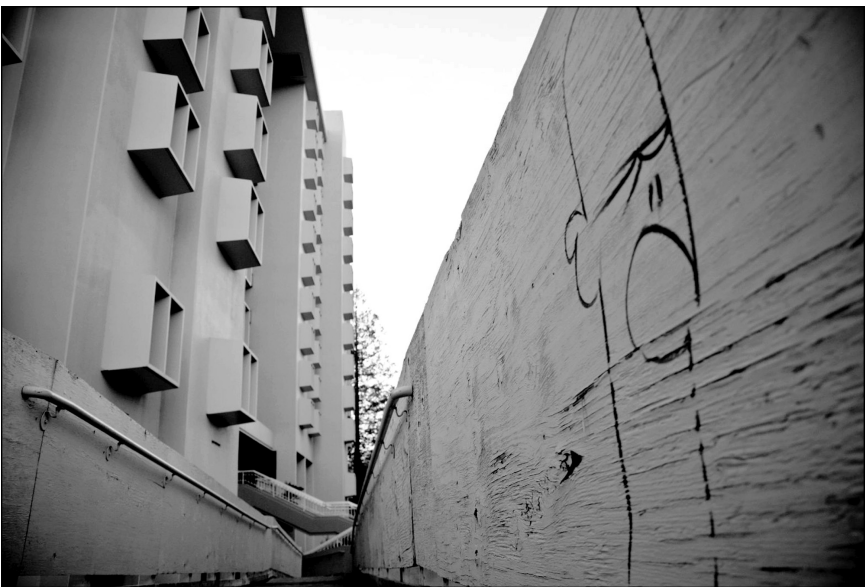
Bartlett was discharged as a corporal in 2005.

MARK PINTO – MARINES MASTER IN FINE ARTS, PHOTOGRAPHY

The Gulf War veteran enlisted in June 1982 after graduating with a four-year degree in physical education from CSU Long Beach.

Pinto flew CH-46s or “Sea Knight” helicopters in the Marine Corps, at first being part of combat squadrons in Hawaii and Okinawa before being assigned to search and rescue duties in Iwakuni, Japan in the late ’90s.

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Graffiti adorns the walls surrounding the wheelchair ramp leading to the lower level of Joe West Hall. Photo by Jasper Rubenstein / Spartan Daily

Increase in vandalism attributed to less cops

by Nic Aguon
Production Editor

Since the beginning of 2010, graffiti and tagging reports have increased nearly 40 percent in San Jose, from 29,285 to 40,405, causing an issue of concern, according to a September 2011 San Jose city council memo.

According to an article from Protestsanjose.com, 278 SJPd police officers were laid off. The same article also stated that with a reduced number of officers on the force due to financial cuts, the San Jose Police Department has fewer officers on duty than it did four years ago. In the month of October, there were seven reports of graffiti and tagging on and near campus.

“I have seen graffiti on newspaper boxes and white delivery trucks parked near campus,” junior kinesiology major Daniel Mosqueda said. “It just surprises me that taggers would do it here on campus.”

According to University Police Department’s police blotter, graffiti was reportedly found etched onto the exterior doors at the Industrial Studies building. Dudley Moorhead Hall was also defaced at the beginning of last October, according to UPD’s October police blotter.

Vandalism and graffiti were also reported at the North Garage between Ninth and 10th streets, according to

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Occupy, Reclaim continue in front of historic statues

by Christina Molina
Staff Writer

In the second week of protests on campus on the Tommie Smith and John Carlos Statue lawn, Reclaim SJSU discussed the organization of a walk-out Wednesday.

Meanwhile, Occupy SJSU reached one week of demonstration in the same space.

For their second meeting, Reclaim SJSU organizer Sandra Heurta, a senior sociology major, spoke

in front of 15 people regarding actions to be taken for student’s rights.

“We are calling out to students to walk out,” Huerta said.

According to Huerta and fellow organizer Francisco Ruiz, Reclaim SJSU will meet Wednesday at noon near the Smith-Carlos Statue, hold an open forum then march throughout campus and the city.

A few feet away from Reclaim SJSU were the Occupy SJSU protesters, who have continued to demonstrate on the Smith-Carlos Statue lawn since last week.

“We’ve been outreaching San Jose State for about a month,” said Daniel McCormick, a junior political science major. “We were coming out,

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CORRECTION

In the Nov. 8 edition of the Spartan Daily, a story appeared on page 2 titled “Women’s basketball makes quick work of Cal State East Bay” which included several paragraphs used without attribution from a press release titled “Women’s Hoops Takes Exhibition 70-53” from SJSU Athletics, which appeared on its website sjsuspartans.com on Nov. 6. The article was used as a reference and the Spartan Daily regrets the error.

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VETERANS: Stories from Somalia, Iraq, Japan



Senior linguistics major David Richardson sits for a portrait in the courtyard near Clark Hall. Richardson is a former Marine who served for four and a half years. **Photo by Jack Barnwell / Spartan Daily**

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He retired from active duty, finishing 20 years of service, on Oct. 1, 2002. Pinto said he became a Buddhist priest the next day. During his religious tenure, he was exposed to Buddhist art while traveling the world. He would retire from priesthood in 2009.

In addition to taking wildlife pictures and macro close-ups of flowers, Pinto takes photos of GI Joe action figures that simulate the turmoil that some veterans experience after a return home from combat. His photo series, "Joe Comes Home," is something he feels compelled to do.

Pinto said he feels that the way veterans are respected in society is eroding.

"You honor them by welcoming them back into society and I don't think that's occurring the way that it could," he said.

Pinto said being a Marine instilled discipline in him.

"I got a lot of confidence becoming a pilot," he said. "That was really the toughest thing I've ever done in my life. It gave me a lot of confidence that if I apply myself I could do different things."

DAVID RICHARDSON – MARINES SENIOR, COMPUTER LINGUISTICS

The combat engineer turned marine security guard served in a handful of overseas tours over four and a half years between December 1996 and February 2001. Richardson is currently the VSO's Vice President.

As a combat engineer or "super grunt" in Okinawa, Richardson's duties as a combat engineer included learning demolition tactics and how to impede the enemy in battle.

Serving as a security guard inside U.S. Embassy grounds, Richardson spent time towards the end of his service guarding the embassies in Jordan and Guatemala City.

"We had a lot of like bomb scares and stuff like that we had

to deal with but this was pre-9/11," he said.

Richardson's unit would cover other bases during the Marine Corps Ball, an annual celebration of the Marine Corps' birthday, which is usually held in the early weeks of November. A few days after he and a fellow Marine covered the U.S. Embassy in Damascus, it was attacked by a large mob.

"It was a really good thing it didn't happen when we were there because it would have been two of us for the whole embassy," he said. "...It was perfect timing for our sakes because had it happened when we were there we would have been screwed. We could have only done so much. Ultimately in a mob like that there's nothing you can do."

Wanting to re-enlist but not guaranteed a position he wanted in the Marines, Richardson chose to leave after in 2001.

Originally looking to study software engineering, the SJSU senior switched majors to computational linguistics last year. Studying languages piqued his interest while guarding the U.S. Embassy in Jordan, where he learned some Arabic.

MICHAEL FULWILER – NAVY SENIOR, INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY

Fulwiler served from May 1999 to June 2005, spending four years on the U.S.S. Shreveport as a machinist mate.

The married 31-year-old said he originally went to Heald College and worked at McDonald's out of high school, but one phone call changed his life.

"The recruiter called and kind of talked me into it," he said. "I wanted to get out of the house because I was still living with my parents."

Fulwiler helped engineer power for the steam-powered ship and also helped turned salt water into fresh water for the crew.

He said his ship never saw combat but transported Navy



Damian Bartlett, a justice studies graduate student, served in the Army and Army National Guard, including nine months in Iraq as a light infantry rifle leader. Bartlett is the president of the Veteran's Student Organization. **Photo by James Tensuan / Spartan Daily**

SEALS and Marines to battle pirates and smugglers off the coast of Somalia.

Fulwiler originally studied to be a nuclear engineer at the Navy's Nuclear Power School in Goose Creek, S.C., which he said is one of the toughest in the Navy.

He said the preparation to complete the course in one year gave him organizational skills he uses today and have earned him the best grades of his life.

"The way they structured it for giving out the information, how to take your notes, how to study and how much time and information you put into it to get good grades, I took that structure and applied it to what I'm doing here," Fulwiler said.

JULIANNE CADDEN – ARMY JUNIOR, ANTHROPOLOGY

Cadden enlisted in the Army from December 2003 to February 2007.

Cadden served in Iraq in 2005 and 2006. She was stationed in the cities of Talil, Al-Asad and at an outpost base in Habbaniyah, which is between Fallujah and Ramadi. She was a .50 caliber machine gunner, patrolling the Euphrates River at the outpost and on highway convoys.

Cadden said the military taught her to be more patient and to be more understanding in life. With her travels around the world, she said she has a better understanding of different cultural values.

"I traveled to a lot of different places when I was in the service, so I got to see a lot of different cultures and I bring that with me when I'm learning ... and the ethics behind anthropology," she said.

UC president works to avoid tuition hike

McClatchy Tribune Wire Service

LOS ANGELES — Shifting tactics in a difficult budget situation, University of California President Mark G. Yudof said Tuesday he will seek enough additional state funding to avoid a tuition hike next year and increase enrollment by 1 percent, or about 2,100 students.

Yudof's statement was a tactical retreat from a controversial plan floated in September, in which UC said tuition could rise 8 percent to 16 percent annually over the next four years, if state funding did not increase enough to offset increasing costs. Reaction from students and families in September was vociferously negative and UC regents shelved the idea, at least for now.

On Tuesday, the UC leader focused on a new proposal to seek a state funding increase of \$411 million, or 8 percent, for the 10-campus system in the 2012-13 academic year. He acknowledged, though, that persuading the state to appropriate nearly \$2.8 billion in total funding for UC may be difficult, given the continuing recession.

If the funding comes through, Yudof pledged not to raise tuition next school year, to add course sections and professors across UC, to increase enrollment and extend library hours. "And we would throw a large pizza party," he added lightheartedly. But he declined to specify the effect on tuition if the Legislature and governor give UC less than the proposal, although

he said UC's regents would consider more modest tuition increases.

The regents are scheduled to vote on the budget request at a meeting in San Francisco next week. Yudof acknowledged Tuesday that his earlier proposal, aimed at warning the public and the regents about unstable state funding for the university, had provoked significant anxiety.

"I was trying to get them concerned about where we are heading. And I got them a lot concerned," he said.

UC this year received \$2.37 billion in state general revenue funds, down \$650 million from last year and the university may also face mid-year cuts if the state budget situation does not improve. After back-to-back tuition boosts totaling more than \$1,800 for this fall, UC's undergraduate tuition for California residents stands at \$12,192; room, board and campus fees can bring a student's total costs to about \$31,000. And for the first time in UC's 143-year history, the total amount of money from tuition this year exceeds the total in state funding.

The new proposal would include \$36.6 million to enroll the additional 2,100 students and \$310 million more to help reverse recent cuts in faculty hiring, class offerings, library hours and equipment purchases. It also seeks \$87.6 million for employee pensions, an effort to change a long standing arrangement in which the state helps to pay for pensions at California State University schools and community colleges but not at UC.

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Coach Mac Corner: SJSU up against the wall in bid for bowl

Spartans face an elite defense and run game among nation's best in Utah State Aggies

by Ron Gleeson

Sports Editor

If there was any game SJSU could have circled as a guaranteed win, it was last weekend at home against Idaho, and the Spartans didn't get it done.

As the Spartans' hopes and chances of reaching a bowl for first time since it won the 2006 New Mexico Bowl have dwindled over the past two weekends, the team now finds itself with its back against the wall.

This weekend, SJSU will travel to Logan, Utah to face the Utah State Aggies, the first of the Spartans' final three games of its season — meaning it will need to win its remaining games of the season in order to become eligible for a bowl.

The Spartans and the Aggies are coming off polar-opposite games from this past Saturday.

SJSU fell victim to Idaho, in part from a 22-point fourth quarter from the Vandals, erasing a 20-7 halftime Spartan lead.

Meanwhile Utah State came back from a 21-point deficit to defeat Hawaii in Honolulu, a win capped by a 1-yard run by junior running back Robert Turbin to put the Aggies ahead with 14 seconds left in the game.

"Utah State beat Hawaii like Idaho beat us," head coach Mike MacIntyre said. "Emotions play a big role in football. I feel like our guys will be able to bounce back and be ready to play, and hopefully it will fuel them to finish out the game strong."

MacIntyre said he could tell the team had emotionally recovered from the loss from its demeanor at Sunday night's practice.

"They were attentive, but got down about some plays they knew they could have made but didn't," he said. "Now our guys have to get back off the mat and go back the next day ready to fight again — and that's what our guys will do."

The running game is a huge issue for the Spartans, both offensively and defensively, going into this weekend's must-win



Idaho senior safety Quin Ashley (No. 12), junior cornerback Aaron Grymes (No. 6) and senior cornerback Matthew Harvey chase sophomore wide receiver Chandler Jones

(No. 89) of SJSU along the Spartan sideline during Idaho's 32-29 upset over SJSU last Saturday at Spartan Stadium. **Photo by Vernon McKnight / File Photo**

game in regards to postseason play.

On the defensive side of the ball, SJSU will be looking at the Western Athletic Conference leading and sixth nationally ranked rushing attack in terms of yardage.

The Aggies running game is led by Turbin, who currently ranks second in the WAC in yards-per-game and first in rushing touchdowns.

MacIntyre had nothing but rave comments about Turbin.

"He's the best running back in our conference," MacIntyre said. "He's strong, athletic, fast — an excellent player."

Utah State will showcase a new quarterback, junior Adam Kennedy, who threw two touchdowns in the Aggies' comeback win over Hawaii.

MacIntyre said Kennedy is a better passer than freshman Chuckie Keeton, whom Kennedy replaced, and SJSU will need to prepare for a spread-out Aggie

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passing game in addition to its dominant run game.

"We have to be ready for a vertical passing game they'll stretch with which they hit some big plays against Hawaii," MacIntyre said.

The Spartan rush defense looked slightly sluggish in the Idaho loss, in which it allowed 183 rushing yards, and will be greatly challenged by the Turbin and the Utah State run attack.

SJSU's run game on the offensive side of the ball also looks nothing like its dynamic self, which it displayed in the first three games of the season.

In the loss two weeks ago to Louisiana Tech, the Spartans recorded just 12 yards on 17 carries, and against Idaho it gained 68 yards on 25 attempts.

MacIntyre said if he could put his finger on one certain aspect of the struggling run game he would.

"It is something we have been working on," he said. "We should have run it better and we will try this Saturday. I think it will start clicking soon, I really do."

Going up against this underperforming SJSU running game is a prolific Utah State defense, which ranks first in total defense in the WAC.

"It will be a very tough test for us," MacIntyre said. "We are excited about going there to play."

This Utah State defense will more than likely also test the Spartan passing game, which completed more than 70 percent of its passes against Idaho — albeit many of them were short screen type passes.

MacIntyre said his intention with this methodical passing plays was to open up the defense to loosen the running backs, and added that he was surprised it did not do so.

Whether SJSU will continue the same play calling, MacIntyre said it will depend on how the

Utah State defense sets up play after play.

"We can't throw it long every snap, and we can't throw it short every snap," he said. "We are going to mix it up and have a game plan going in there. We will see what the defense gives us and we will take advantage to create plays."

MacIntyre said the fourth-quarter loss to Idaho on Saturday was shocking for SJSU because it has been playing very well in the fourth quarter for the most part this season.

This stellar fourth quarter play includes two last-minute go-ahead touchdowns — the first at Colorado State on Oct. 1 and the other a thrilling home win over Hawaii on homecoming night Oct. 14.

"I didn't see it coming and neither did (the team)," MacIntyre said of the stunning loss last weekend.

Utah State and SJSU will kick off at 1 p.m. on Saturday.

■ COMMENTARY

UFC match preview: Heavyweight bout could go either way

by Wesley Dugle

AS&E Editor

This Saturday, the Ultimate Fighting Championship makes its first debut on national primetime television when San Jose's Cain Velasquez (9-0) looks to defend his heavyweight title against the challenger Junior Dos Santos (13-1) on Fox.

Whether this fight lasts the full five rounds or 10 seconds, as UFC president Dana White eloquently put it, this could be the biggest, most important fight in mixed martial arts history as the UFC looks to push itself into the mainstream of sports culture.

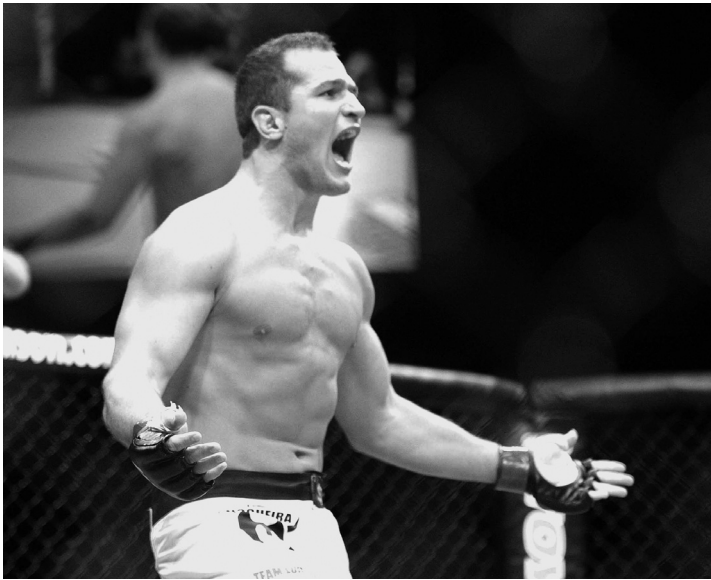
This is a fight no sports fan should miss as each fighter is easily among the elite of the heavyweight Mixed Martial Arts world and there are sure to be some fireworks when the fight finally commences.

But who will win this epic bout? This fight is going to be close but I think the main thing it'll come down to is who wins the ground game.

The champ, Velasquez, may have eight of his nine wins by way of a knockout, but he also has a strong wrestling base, having been an All-American stand-out at Arizona State, amassing a dominant 86-17 record in his time there.

The challenger, Dos Santos, has no wrestling background which is something of a must have in MMA considering five out of the seven current UFC champions are top level wrestlers including Velasquez.

Dos Santos does however have a decent Brazilian jiu-jitsu pedigree, being a brown belt in the sport, and training with Bra-



Brazilian Junior Dos Santos celebrates his victory over Fabricio Werdum on Oct. 25, 2008. **Photo by Jim Prisching / MCT**

“This fight is going to be close but I think the main thing it'll come down to is who wins the ground game.”

zil's top MMA team, Blackhouse, which includes two current champions, middleweight Anderson Silva and featherweight Jose Aldo as well as former champions Lyoto Machida and Antonio Rodrigo Nogueira.

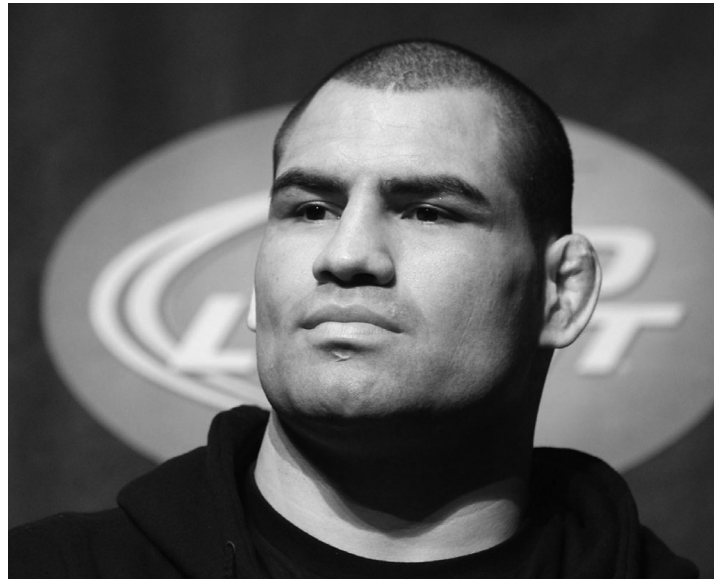
But Dos Santos has largely been untested for the most part in the ground game in his career so it's hard to say how well he will fare against Velasquez.

If the fight goes to the ground, and Velasquez is on top, it could be a rough night for Dos Santos.

So in terms of the ground game I have to give the edge to Velasquez.

If the fight does stay standing up, however, it's a toss-up in my view.

Out of all the fighters in the heavyweight division, Dos Santos is arguably the most deadly striker, winning nine out



Heavyweight champion Cain Velasquez before his Oct. 22, 2010 fight against Brock Lesnar. **Photo courtesy Lesnar-Brock.com**

of his 13 fights by knockouts and even dominating those bouts that went to a decision by pummeling his opponents with his fists.

But when you look at Velasquez, his striking has also won him eight of his nine victories by knockout.

So, if the fight stays standing, it could be very exciting with both fighters clearly having knockout power.

The one intangible, however, that worries me about this fight is cage rust for Velasquez.

When Velasquez steps into the octagon this Saturday it'll be his first fight in over a year since winning the title when he knocked out then-champion Brock Lesnar.

If Velasquez looks rusty, the fight could tilt in Dos Santos' favor having fought only a few months ago in June against Shane Carwin.

If I had to call it though, I would give a slight edge to Velasquez for a decision win or possibly a third or second round submission, or knockout by ground and pound simply because his superior wrestling could prove to be a deciding factor in this fight.

In the end, this championship bout is going to be exciting and it's definitely worth watching this weekend on Fox.

Local bakes up cupcake nirvana in downtown San Jose

by Brittany Patterson
Staff Writer

Natural light pours into the tiny cupcakery, splashing across the glass display case filled with a cornucopia of colorful confections.

It's a quaint space, with customers flitting in and out, mulling over which delectable treat to choose.

Nestled on San Fernando Street, Loves Cupcakes turns out 21 varieties of these pint-sized desserts Tuesday through Thursday and 23 different varieties on Friday and Saturday.

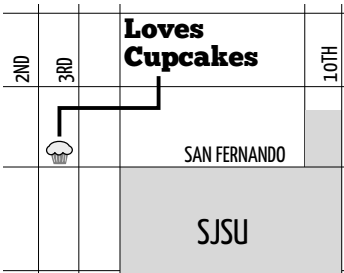
"This was a hobby I did on the weekends," shop owner April Zarazua said. "This was not something I thought I was ever going to do for a living."

Zarazua opened the shop in July of 2009 after spending 20 years working in an administrative position.

FAMILY TAKES THE CAKE

Zarazua said Loves Cupcakes has been a family affair since the beginning.

Her father, a retired painter, worked on the interior, her uncle did the plumbing, her husband worked on the construction, her mother comes in



Left: Loves Cupcakes is located at 85 E. San Fernando St. in downtown San Jose. **Map by Leo Postovoit / Spartan Daily**

Right: Loves Cupcakes has been in business since July 2009. **Photo by Dorian Silva / Spartan Daily**



every day to help prep and her daughter and son help with the shopping.

The location originally piqued her husband's interest because of the foot traffic.

"He called me here one day to have lunch together," he said. "We were standing out there and he said, 'Turn around, what do you think of that spot?' and I turned around and of course I didn't like it."

The space was run down, sporting tagged plywood in the windows and holes in the floor, Zarazua said.

"I stood at the entrance and looked in and said no, but he pushed the issue," she said. "Honestly, I'm so glad he did."

BORN TO BAKE

The oldest of five children, Zarazua said she grew up baking.

"I know she loves to bake," her mother Cindy Salazar said. "She's been baking for family and friends before culinary school."

But for Zarazua, the point in which she started to build upon her natural creativity was triggered when she was a newlywed.

"My husband was working construction and in the winter it would get really slow," she said. "It was my son's third birthday. We didn't have money to buy a cake, but I wanted it to be special."

Zarazua rented books from a library about cake decorating and then made a multicolored cake decorated with clowns.

"Everybody commented on it, asked where I bought it," she said. "From that point on I started doing cakes as a hobby."

When the company Zarazua worked for was bought out and downsized, she found herself searching for work.

Her husband pushed her to enroll in California Culinary Academy Le Cordon Bleu in San Francisco, an opportunity she said changed her life.

After graduation, she said the financial implications of being a pastry chef couldn't be ignored. It's not a high-paying profession unless you work in resorts or open your own business, and the latter is not a path to be taken lightly, she said.

"There are a lot of cupcakeries," she said. "They're popping up everywhere."

Zarazua said she had a professor who stressed the importance of being different, of giving customers a reason to come back.

FROSTING WITH ONLY THE FINEST

At Loves, Zarazua said only the highest quality ingredients are used and all of the cupcakes are baked from scratch every morning.

There is no creamcake, pre-made cake mix that just requires water, or 50 pound

tubs of icing on the premises, practices that can help cut costs at fledgling bakeries, she said.

"Doing something from scratch is totally different," she said. "By no means is it simple. You can really screw things up and not like what you're making."

Zarazua said she strives to put out a product that is truly gourmet.

Pastry chef Tiffanie Ramos has helped with the morning bakes at Loves, which can begin at 3 a.m. on weekends, for a little more than two months.

"It's hard to find a place with a great product, to really know if it was made this morning," she said.

Ramos, who one day hopes to own her own bakery, said she can attest to the high quality of cupcakes being made in the back.

Inside the kitchen, the serene atmosphere that has been so carefully crafted in the front of the shop is replaced with concentrated energy as the pans are filled and emptied each morning.

The radio buzzes in the background, pop hits interrupted by the loud oven alarm going off with increasing frequency as the morning progresses.

The three pastry chefs, clad in black pants, smocks and aprons are engrossed in their work, consulting recipes and piping frosting.

They are dancing, like bees swarming around the small, yet meticulously clean space, seeming to always miss one another while balancing hot pans fresh from the oven.

Zarazua seems at home, consulting her recipe book, measuring ingredients and scooping batter into paper liners.

She is calm, her hands moving with precision, a testament to the thousands of desserts she has crafted over the years, a testament to the love she has for baking and the sincere gratefulness she has for being given the opportunity to live her dream.

And in fact, that very sentiment is echoed in the shop's namesake. It was her mother's idea to incorporate the nickname Zarazua and her husband use for one another—"love"—which is the same as the love people have for cupcakes and mix it with the love Zarazua has always had for this art.

"I bake and I decorate and I love to be creative," she said. "So when you have that in you, creativity rules. Being able to be different from one cupcake to next is what I love."



Loves Cupcakes owner April Zarazua handcrafts cupcakes daily at the bakery she started two years ago. She said she focuses on using only the freshest ingredients and making everything from scratch. **Photo by Dorian Silva / Spartan Daily**

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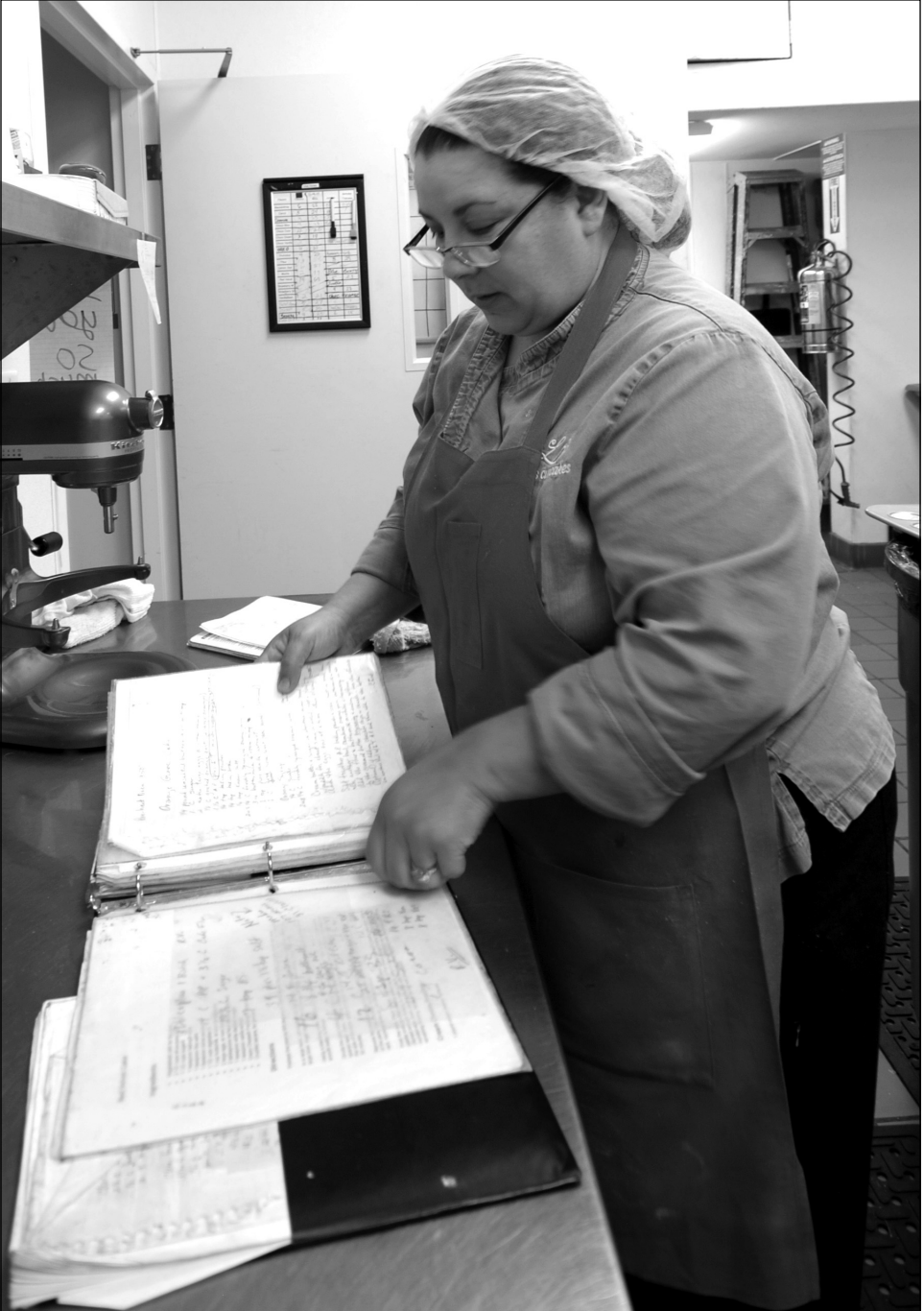
Above: April Zarazua and her staff arrive at the shop as early as 3 a.m. on weekends to prepare orders. The cupcakes are made daily and the leftovers are donated.

For the love of cupcakes

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Above: Kim Sutherland pipes cream cheese icing over red velvet cupcakes at Loves last week. Sutherland, who works at Loves Cupcakes on the weekends, said this gives her a chance to bake cakes she normally doesn't get to make. Her own cake business focuses on providing gluten-free options.



Above: April Zarazou said she enjoys testing recipes and perfecting them until they are ready to be presented to the customers.

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Above: Loves Cupcakes' burnt almond cupcake, one of the 21 to 23 flavors offered weekly, features a moist vanilla bean cake, filled with vanilla bean custard, topped with Chantilly creme and garnished with almonds and powdered sugar.



Below: David Ortega, who has been working for Loves Cupcakes for two years, helps customers who come in to pick up orders and choose a tasty treat for their lunch break.

PROTESTS: Movements continue at SJSU



“They are just sort of pushing us back and saying ‘You take this.’”

"The ultimate message is to inform people as to what's going on with their public higher education system in California," he said. "Letting people know the way that the administration is mismanaging public funds, redistributing them to administrators and president, and not putting the money that the state is giving to the institution to teaching, to the students and paying their employees."

TAGGING:

Campus incidents on rise



According to SJPD's crime blotter, officers located a suspect on Oct. 30 based on an anonymous tip, arresting two suspects who did approximately \$2,000 in damages at the Calco gas station

"With all that has been going on lately in San Jose, I've been keeping it in lately," Lloico said. "As far as tagging goes, I've seen a few near the

“This app is a great idea that people can feel confident about and not worry about putting their identity into jeopardy,” junior engineering major Syed Abidi said. “With this app in place, maybe people will become more proactive in reporting tagging not just on campus but also the surrounding areas, since students are on their phones basically all the time.”

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‘Dr.’ Murray killed the King of Pop

Dr. Conrad Murray is a doctor for a reason, and should have known what he was doing.

As Michael Jackson’s designated physician, he had partial responsibility for helping Jackson keep himself in mint physical and mental condition.

When a doctor earns that title, it means he or she is certified as a specially trained individual in the healing arts and will practice it with due diligence. But what actually makes a good doctor is the way he or she deals with his or her patients.

Just like everyone else, I’ve had my share of doctors and I know which ones have actually cared for my well-being. My mother always shares with me how much she appreciates her current physician because of the way he goes the extra mile to make sure she’s in good health.

The doctor should know the proper treatments and put an emphasis on guaranteeing that they are the best options – and don’t just give in to what the patient thinks is best. The doctor is the trained expert, not the patient.

And that’s the way “Dr.” Murray should have dealt with Jackson.

Drugs must be taken with careful consideration. In fact, any type of medicine is dangerous upon overdose. They can only do so much for the body to help fight whatever illness(es) a person may have, that’s why doctors exist for proper consultation.

If Dr. Murray had done the right thing and convinced Michael there were other, better ways to treat his physical and mental conditions, he might still be here with us today.

I realize Jackson said if Murray wouldn’t fulfill his needs, he’d get another doctor to do it for him. But as a doctor, his profession is aimed toward hammering into the patient that unless his goal is to eventually die, there are better ways – that people love him and want him to be well.

Michael most likely knew the risks of this surgical anesthetic “milk” he took regularly. However, despite acknowledging the risks, he is a celebrity after all – one who has worked under the limelight rather than experiencing a normal childhood.

He didn’t get to his status by doing the bare minimum – he worked his butt off, even through



By
Angelica
Valera

gritted teeth, sweat and tears as his father harshly scolded him and his brothers when tiny mistakes occurred during rehearsals.

Basically, Michael had to grow up at an early age, dealing with business and loss of privacy. Because of that, he missed

out on proper development of social interaction.

If he was constantly working, there was no time to acquire normalcy since business and his artistry was all he knew. Therefore, he either didn’t know any other way or didn’t care to know in order to lessen the disparaging media and public scrutiny. It makes me think he wanted the easy way out.

Then again, that’s where Dr. Murray’s expertise is utilized. Although the Los Angeles jury ruled it as involuntary manslaughter, the doctor knew the risks of the drug, yet failed to carefully administer it to Jackson.

If he monitored the treatment sessions like he claims, he would have known when enough was enough. In fact, he could have offered Jackson additional innocuous options. Certainly a plethora of them exist out there – did this “milk” have to be the sole answer? If he truly cared about Jackson, he would have figured out a way to “convince” Jackson this drug wasn’t the answer to pain relief.

It was only when he noticed the superstar wasn’t breathing anymore did he realize it was too late to resuscitate him. He may not have meant to claim Jackson’s life, but due to his irresponsible practice and negligence, we lost one of the world’s most incredible artists ever.

I really miss Jackson. He is one of a kind – a true musical genius and passionate humanitarian. Notice how I put “is” rather than “was” – because he will forever remain a legendary icon, and the world’s King of Pop.

If he hadn’t taken any drugs from the get go, he would still be able to perform with his usual gusto. Judging from his “This Is It” movie, he just appeared too worn out to last any longer.

Now that he’s gone, there is an obvious deafening silence among the various stages around the world where he could be performing for his last tour. The fans’ hearts just don’t beat the same way they used to when Michael was alive.

Don’t make Joe-Pa a scapegoat

Anytime a case involving child abuse comes to the public, people’s arguments are fueled by emotion.

Right now, the sexual abuse scandal involving Jerry Sandusky is an emotional bomb ready to explode.

Sandusky, a former Penn State coach, has been accused of sexually assaulting at least eight boys between the years of 1994 and 2009, according to a Yahoo article.

And much of the blame that Sandusky wasn’t charged sooner is being directed toward Joe Paterno, the 84-year-old legendary head coach, who was fired by the Penn State Board of Trustees Wednesday.

According to a grand jury report, Paterno was informed of something relating to Sandusky and a boy being alone and naked in a campus shower together in 2002.

Paterno reported what he heard to his boss, which was his legal obligation.

This is all we know, yet the public seems to believe that Paterno is just as guilty as everyone else.

Paterno is not a rapist, and he should never be mentioned in the same line of thought as any other rapist.

He is legally guilty of nothing. Yet, we all know that there’s a huge difference between what is law and what is right.

Many believe Paterno should have gone straight to the police the second he was informed about Sandusky.

In hindsight we all wish Paterno had gone to police, but using hearsay to incriminate a friend is very dangerous, if not reckless. It’s not Paterno’s job to



By
Joey
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investigate or act on the matter, and considering how close of a friend Sandusky was, he did what I would have done – went to his boss.

Keep in mind that at this point Sandusky wasn’t even a Penn State coach anymore – Sandusky retired from coaching in 1999. Sandusky was using the Penn State facilities as a home to run his program, The Second Mile, which helps at-risk youth.

This issue should have been resolved by the Penn State higher-ups, but instead of informing the police, they decided there wasn’t enough evidence.

The eyewitness himself, much to everyone’s disappointment, never told the police.

And this is where Paterno made his mistake. Somebody needed to make sure that Sandusky was never alone with a child ever again.

Somebody, anybody, needed to step up and tell somebody who would listen that something fishy was going on.

Instead, Penn State officials simply forced Sandusky to change the location of his youth sports camps, allowing him to continue his ways.

And Paterno will regret his inaction for the rest of his life.

But this does not mean Paterno purposely covered up the allegations to win more football games. This does not mean Paterno cares more about winning

football games than the victims. This does not mean Paterno, a father and grandfather, a man of integrity, a man who has helped mold thousands of young adults into men, should be called a scumbag.

He may be guilty of negligence, and although I’m not trying to defend his actions, they’re understandable considering how much he trusted Sandusky.

I don’t think it’s fair that Paterno was fired, but I understand why. Penn State needed to move on from this incident immediately to not only protect the players and other coaches from questioning about Paterno, but protect Paterno himself. This is an ongoing investigation, and anything Paterno says can and will be used in court.

But don’t buy in to the idea that the board of trustees thinks he’s guilty of anything more than negligence because they fired him. It was simply the smart move to get Paterno away from the media storm.

If we learn that Paterno knew about Sandusky before 2002, hid evidence or did cover this up for his personal achievements, then I will join the crowd that’s beating him while he’s down.

But we don’t know these things, and until we do, we have a moral standard as a society to let the investigation unfold.

We should never allow speculation to decide the fate of our people or ruin the reputation of them, Paterno included.

After all, this country was built on the principle that all are innocent until proven guilty, and until we embrace that, we will continue to tear ourselves apart.

Everybody has their own story, do you know what yours is?



by
Matt
Young

There is an old saying that goes “every person has a story.”

Charles Kuralt was an American journalist who understood that, and is a great example.

A longtime staff member at CBS, he ended up doing a long-running feature called “On the Road” where he traveled the country, meeting ordinary people and chronicling their lives in short, pithy segments as part of the CBS Evening News with Walter Cronkite.

Cronkite was someone who paid attention to others and took the time to hear their stories, and made them accessible to an audience who might not have met them otherwise.

For whatever reason, my mother had a couple of volumes of collected stories from that series in book form. I read those as a kid and it helped expand my awareness of those around me.

Now, I’m not sure if I’m a bit of an anachronism, having grown up with stories and media from before I was born in the late 1970s, but I can tell you this: people matter.

What qualifies me to be able to vouch for that?

I grew up as the son of a minister. My mother was from the Deep South, and my father was a Yankee from Wisconsin. They met in Rhode Island, got married, and had me in 1978.

We moved all over the country, and I definitely paid attention to all of the different places and people I came across.

I was pretty much raised to observe and care about people.

Perhaps because of this heritage, I’ve become a social worker, writer and musician.

I’ve been blessed in getting to know a rather large cast of “characters” in my life. I’m endlessly inquisitive and outgoing, and always fascinated by what people will share of their own lives.

I tend to ask a lot of questions, and these usually lead me to the gist of people’s lives: their stories.

I could tell you about a developmentally disabled man in his ‘60s who I know.

He was born to an alcoholic mother and distant father, and grew up in a foster home. He watched a foster brother drown as a child and lived through his biological brother’s suicide years later.

Though his father ultimately left him a scant \$5, he grew up to live independently and has raised several thousand dollars for developmentally disabled adults over the last few years.

I could tell you about the Christian alternative rock pioneer I interviewed who started out traveling the country in a van, sleeping on floors between shows.

He ended up getting his music on television through mainstream network programming on shows you have likely seen, and has penned several songs for himself and other artists who were hugely successful. He’s now a highly sought-after producer.

I could tell you about the landlord we had in the early 1980s who had been shot down over Europe in World War II while serving as a pilot. He evaded the Nazis by pretending to be a deaf and mute barber until he could escape to Allied territory.

I could keep going, sharing anecdotes both poignant and hilarious from a hundred people I’ve met at one time or another – fascinating stories of love and loss, of setbacks and windfalls, of fear and courage, bad luck and serendipity.

The point here is that everyone does have a story.

If you dig just a little, you are likely to discover the human tragedies and triumphs that constitute the average life.

People live in big cities and small towns, and every place in between. They

are religious, agnostic or atheist, and they all have their reasons. They are poor, middle class or wealthy. They are black, white, Indian, Asian and Hispanic.

I can tell you that they are also not the caricatures seen on so-called “reality” TV. Those are largely artificial situations with contrived story lines and misleading editing. “Real life” doesn’t need a producer orchestrating things.

Look at your own life and consider all the people who have gone before you and intersected your path one way or another. If you haven’t before, you can take the time to learn from people around you.

What can you learn from them? What are their stories?

When you figure that out, you can look at your own life and find out the answer to the question that will someday pop up, perhaps by your grandchildren or a wandering journalist covering Americana.

What’s your story?



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Cleaning the path to a brighter future

SJSU's fifth annual Day of Service brought hundreds of students and community volunteers to spruce up areas all around San Jose, including a political science group dubbed "Friends of the Five Wounds Trail" who spent the day cleaning an abandoned railroad track.

Clockwise from top left: A box of .22 caliber bullets found on the trail; SJSU Day of Service volunteer Nicolas Becker, a political science major, finds trash to pick up; a mini Jose Cuervo plastic liquor bottle; a small child's shoe, just one of the many discarded items of clothing left on the abandoned train tracks; a pair of what look like brand new denim jeans sit atop a pile of dry brush along the abandoned train tracks. **Below:** A railroad crossing sign has been altered to read "Tracks out of service."



Clockwise from above:

Group 42, "Friends of the Five Wounds Trail," including political science Professor Terry Christensen, huddle before receiving their clean-up equipment on Friday; Matthew Lin turns his head to avoid the rancid odor coming from a bag that he just cleaned up from the trail; Lorena Vidrio and Ralph Portillo are community helpers who help on the day of service every year; Santa Clara County Supervisor George Shirakawa begins to fill his trash bag labeled "Don't trash California" outside of the Church of Five Wounds, a landmark of Little Portugal.



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